

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract with the attached amended Abstract.

A system consisting of a plurality of terminals storing image data and an image displaying device which are connected with each other through a network capable of two-way communication has the disadvantage of decreasing in throughput on account of slow image data transfer over the network.

According to the present invention, the image displaying device performs two-way communications with each of the terminals by a ~~communication means~~communication unit at the display device side. Also, the image displaying device acquires image data from a relevant terminal while instructing other terminals to suspend transmission by the image data acquisition ~~controlling means~~controlling unit, thereby suspending transmission of image data. The image displaying device displays images by the image ~~displaying means~~displaying unit based on the thus acquired image data.